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SUBJECT: EC REGULATION 1798/75: CUSTOMS DUTIES ON EDUCATIONAL
SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL MATERIALS

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1. ACCORDING TO MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) REP LEGGERI
(OFFICE OF EC/GATT AFFAIRS), GOI DECIDED AT FEBRUARY 21 INTER-
MINISTERIAL MEETING (REFTEL) "TO ACCORD PRIORITY TO THE
FLORENCE CONVENTION" RATHER THAN EC DIRECTIVE 1798/75. CON-
SEQUENTLY, AT LEAST FOR THE PRESENT, THERE WILL BE NO RPT NO
CHANGE IN ITALIAN POLICIES/PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO THE
DUTY FREE IMPORTATION OF SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS/APPARATUS.

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2. LEGGERI NOTED THAT EC DIRECTIVE 1798/75 WILL BE DISCUSSED IN BRUSSELS BY EC REPS DURING MARCH, PRIOR TO PARIS UNESCO MEETING. OBJECT OF BRUSSELS DISCUSSIONS WILL BE TO DEVELOP COMMON EC POSITION FOR UNESCO MEETING. HE INDICATED THAT PRESENT GOI POSITION IS NOT NECESSARILY THE FINAL WORD ON THIS MATTER, DEPENDING UPON OUTCOME OF EC DISCUSSIONS.

3. LEGGERI SAID GOI MINISTRIES FOUND EMBASSY'S "NONPAPER" (REFTEL) MOST USEFUL IN DETERMINING GOI POSITION. BEAUDRY

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